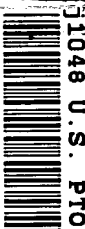


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- ☐ a Continuation ☐ a Divisional ☐ a Continuation-in-Part (CIP) Application of prior application no.: _____; filed _____, the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.
- ☐ and claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. _____; filed _____.
- ☐ A Small Entity Statement(s) was filed in the prior application; Status still proper and desired.

Inventor(s) or Application Identifier:

Ronald DeShawn Blanton

Entitled: **METHODS FOR CHARACTERIZING, GENERATING TEST SEQUENCES FOR, AND/OR SIMULATING INTEGRATED CIRCUIT FAULTS USING FAULT TUPLES AND RELATED SYSTEMS AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCTS**

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1. ☒ Application Transmittal Letter and Fee Transmittal Form (*A duplicate is enclosed for fee processing*)
2. ☒ 29 pages of Specification (including 55 claims)
3. ☒ 6 sheets of Informal Drawings (35 USC 113)
4. ☒ Oath or Declaration
 - a. ☒ newly executed (*original or copy*)
 - b. ☐ copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d) (*for continuation/divisional*) [Note Box 5 Below]
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6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (*Appendix*)
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8. ☐ Small Entity Statement(s)
9. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449, and 31 references cited




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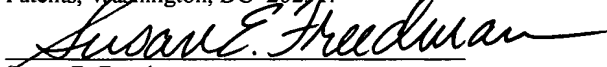

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